

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the current Specification with the attached substitute Specification.

Please amend the Abstract as follows and replace the original Abstract with the attached substitute Abstract.

Abstract

Downhill Ski

A downhill ski having a ski body ~~(1)~~, which has a running surface ~~(8)~~ on its under side, comprises on its upper side a support structure ~~(6)~~, on which a compressive force-absorbing upper chord element ~~(10)~~ is mounted. The support structure ~~(6)~~ is formed from an elongate flat component ~~(7)~~ that is bent, preferably in an undulating manner, at intervals in alternating directions in each case at an angle to the running surface ~~(2)~~, about substantially parallel axes, which extend transversely to the longitudinal direction of the ski.

(Figure 1)